

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Masaaki HIRANO, et al. : Confirmation Number: 8071
Application No.: 10/590,278 :
Filed: August 22, 2006 : Group Art Unit: 1791
: Examiner: John Hoffmann
For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PRODUCING OPTICAL FIBER MATRIX

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2010, wherein a three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on June 5, 2010, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A request for continued examination is being concurrently filed herewith.